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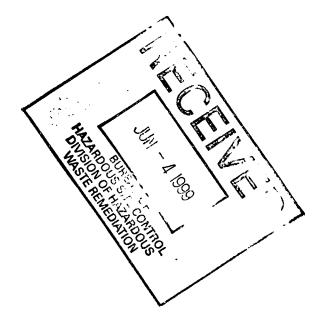


NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION Division of Environmental Remediation

Inactive Hazardous Waste Site Operations and Maintenance Review Report

<u> </u>				Form Date 96.1
Site Name: Conklin Dumps		Class: 4	N	umber: 704013
O&M Funding Source: ☐ State Su	perfund Fed	eral Superfund	X Municipal	☐ Responsible Party
O&M Information: O&M Start: 1/96	End:		Annual Cost: \$	☐ Estimate
Interim Remedial Measures/Operable U	Inits in O&M Phase	:		
□ Drum Removal	□ Soil Removal		□ Tank Ren	noval
X Cap/Cover	□ Containment S	tructure	☐ Fence/Se	curity
☐ Groundwater Recovery/Treatment	X Leachate Colle	ction/Treatment	□ Vapor Ext	raction/Treatment
□ Air Sparging/Stripper System		ation Plant/System	□ Potable V	Vater Supply/System
□ Other:	DEPARTMEN			
Institutional Controls: ☐ Deed Restri		scharge Permit	□ Departr	ment of Health Sampling
□ Other:	riste Six fr			
O&M Review Information:				
Reports: 1 <u>,2,3 & 4 Quarter Conklin Landfi</u>	II MW sampling & an	alysis reports receiv	e by this office.	
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Inspection: Inspection made by this office				
Sampling:				
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Conclusions:	A Soci Bonar			
Remedy Effective? X Yes 🗆 No:	Contains			
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ROD/Consent Order Modifications?	No ☐ Yes (per abov	e) Reclassify the	Site? No	☐ Yes → Class:
Comments: Total leachate collected in 19	<u></u>			
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Project Manager. May 6	/2/99	Reviewer:		
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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION Division of Environmental Remediation

Inactive Hazardous Waste Site Operations and Maintenance Review Report

				Form Date 96,10.0
Site Name: Conklin Dumps		lass: 4	Number:	7-04-013
O&M Funding Source: ☐ State Su	perfund Federal Superfu	nd X Munici	pal □ Re	sponsible Party
O&M Information: O&M Start: 9601	End:	Annual C	Cost: \$	☐ Estimated
Interim Remedial Measures/Operable L	Jnits in O&M Phase:			
□ Drum Removal	☐ Soil Removal	☐ Tar	nk Removal	
X Cap/Cover	□ Containment Structure	☐ Fer	nce/Security	
☐ Groundwater Recovery/Treatment	X Leachate Collection/Disch	. Permit 🗆 Var	or Extraction/	Treatment
☐ Air Sparging/Stripper System	☐ Treatment/Filtration Plant/S	ystem □ Pot	able Water Su	pply/System
X Other: Long-Term GW Monitoring				
Institutional Controls: Deed Restr	iction X Discharge Per	nit 🗆 🗅	epartment of l	Health Sampling
☐ Other:				
O&M Review Information:	. 1			
Reports: Attached is the USEPA Five Ye	ear Review Report and the Regio	<u>n's 03/09/98 insp</u>	ection.	
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Inspection: 03/09/98 by the Region. Sampling: Long-term monitoring was do	one 4/03/97 and 11/14/97			
Other: At 3/9/98 inspection, the storage		e.		
Conclusions:	tam maa soos gamens or rousing			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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Consent Order Compliance? Yes	□ No:			
Other: Town has maintained the site an	d has scheduled repairs to the w	ells in Spring 199	8	
Recommendations: Continue with qua	rterly monitoring for 1998 to esta	blish a reasonabl	e number of da	ata points
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ROD/Consent Order Modifications? X I				s → Class:
Comments: The Town Water Department the leachate collection system.	ent Supervisor, Dennis Shimer, h	as the Town effec	tively managir	ng the Landfill and
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Project Manager: Signature John R. Strang Haz. Site Control (ı	Justo k nature I. Rider, Jr. Haz.	Site: Control	3/3//98 Date (518) 457-0927
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FIVE-YEAR REVIEW REPORT CONKLIN DUMPS SUPERFUND SITE TOWN OF CONKLIN, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK

Prepared By:
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region II
New York, New York

December 1997

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region II Emergency and Remedial Response Division Five-Year Review (Type I)

Conklin Dumps Superfund Site Town of Conklin, Broome County, New York

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region II conducted this statutory five-year review pursuant to Section 121 (c) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), Section 300.430 (f) (4) (ii) of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan and OSWER Directives 9355.7-02 (1991), 9355.7-02A (1994) and 9355.7-03A (1995). The purpose of a five-year review is to ensure that a remedial action remains protective of public health and the environment and is functioning as designed. This document will become part of the site's Administrative Record file. This review (Type I) is applicable to a site at which remedial action activities have been completed. Post remedial environmental monitoring activities, on-going at the site for the past 13 months, have documented the effectiveness of the remedy.

II. <u>SITE BACKGROUND</u>

The Conklin Dumps site originally consisted of two landfilled areas totaling about 37 acres, referred to as the Upper and Lower Landfills. The Lower Landfill, which was operated between 1964 and 1969, contained approximately 48,000 cubic yards of wastes before it was excavated and consolidated with the Upper Landfill. The Upper Landfill, which originally contained approximately 55,000 cubic yards of waste, was operated from 1969 until 1975, when a closure order was issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The property is currently owned by the Town of Conklin.

A two-phase hydrogeologic investigation was completed by O'Brien and Gere Engineers for the Broome County Industrial Development Agency in 1984 and 1985; additional field work was performed in 1986. In June 1986, the site was nominated for inclusion on the National Priorities List. In June 1987, a Consent Order was signed between the Town of Conklin and NYSDEC, which covered the performance of a remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS) and the remedial design (RD)/remedial action (RA).

The RI, which was completed in December 1988, indicated limited ground-water contamination in the immediate vicinity of the Upper Landfill. Confirmatory sampling, performed in June 1990, confirmed the RI findings and provided additional validated data.

An FS report was completed in January 1991.

EPA, in consultation with NYSDEC, issued a Proposed Plan on February 3, 1991. A public comment period began on February 4, 1991 and extended until March 6, 1991. A public meeting was held at the Conklin Town Hall on February 25, 1991. A ROD, which was signed by the EPA Regional Administrator on March 29, 1991, called for, among other things, capping of the Upper Landfill and the Lower Landfill in-place, leachate collection, either on- or off-site treatment of the leachate, and long-term monitoring.

During preliminary design activities associated with the selected remedy, it was determined that the construction of a leachate collection trench and cap at the Lower Landfill would present significant engineering difficulties due to the proximity of an adjacent wetland and railroad tracks. In order to eliminate the leachate seeps at the Lower Landfill, it would be necessary to install a leachate collection system below the water table. A leachate collection system installed below the water table, however, would collect vast amounts of uncontaminated ground water and could adversely impact the adjacent wetland by dewatering a portion of it, unless hydraulic barriers were installed (which in itself could adversely impact the wetland). In addition, installing a cap on the Lower Landfill could negatively impact the adjacent wetland in that it would encroach on the wetland. Due to these technical feasibility and environmental concerns, the selected remedy was modified by an Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) in September 1992. The modified remedy consists of the excavation of the Lower Landfill, consolidation of the excavated Lower Landfill contents onto the Upper Landfill, capping of the Upper Landfill, construction of a leachate collection system, and either on- or off-site treatment of the leachate.

Lower Landfill

The RD associated with the excavation of the Lower Landfill and consolidation of the excavated wastes onto the Upper Landfill commenced in April 1991 and was completed in September 1992.

The excavation of the Lower Landfill began in January 1993. The composition of the wastes that were encountered during the excavation was primarily soil and decomposed organic matter intermixed with scrap metal, bottles and fabric from a local tent manufacturer. Although four 55 gallon drums were encountered, they were found to be empty or contained non-hazardous debris, and were crushed and disposed of in the Upper Landfill.

The waste that was excavated from the Lower Landfill was deposited on the Upper Landfill in approximately one-foot lifts. This effort was completed in July 1993.

A Remedial Action Report, documenting the completion of the excavation of the Lower Landfill was approved on September 29, 1993.

Upper Landfill

The RD associated with the capping of the consolidated wastes on the Upper Landfill and the construction of a leachate collection, storage, and pre-treatment system commenced in April 1991 and was completed in July 1993.

The compaction and regrading of the excavated waste mass, installation of a leachate recovery system, construction of a final cover system for the Upper Landfill, and the installation of an eight- foot high chain linked fence around the Upper Landfill to restrict access, was performed from October 1993 to November 1994.

Leachate Storage and Pre-Treatment System

In June 1995, the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewer Board approved the Town of Conklin's application for discharge of the leachate from the Upper Landfill into the sanitary sewer system for treatment at the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant in Vestal, New York. This approval required that the Town obtain an industrial wastewater discharge permit and temporarily store the leachate in an on-site storage tank while it is sampled and analyzed to determine if it meets the discharge requirements of the permit.

The construction of a leachate storage, pre-treatment system, and pipeline to the sewer interceptor, which began in November 1995, included the installation of a 30,000 gallon horizontal steel storage tank with a secondary containment dike, installation of a leachate pre-treatment system, consisting of a series of bag filters to remove solids, and installation of a pipe to discharge the leachate from the storage and pre-treatment system to the sanitary sewer system. Although the work was completed in January 1996, a final inspection could not be conducted until after the snow melt in June 1996.

A Remedial Action Report, documenting the completion of the construction of the final cover system and leachate collection system for the Upper Landfill, leachate collection tank installation, and construction of a pipeline to the sewer interceptor was approved on July 15, 1996.

A Superfund Site Close-Out Report for the site was approved on September 13, 1996.

The site was deleted from the National Priorities List on May 2, 1997.

III. REMEDIAL OBJECTIVES AND MONITORING RESULTS

The Town of Conklin, in October 1996, began implementation of a post-remedial environmental monitoring program to evaluate the effectiveness of the RA. The results from this investigation indicate that the remedy remains effective.

The cap was inspected on April 3, 1997 and the leachate and groundwater were sampled on April 3, 1997 and November 14, 1997.

To date, approximately 21,000 gallons of leachate (12,500 gallons in April 1997 and 8,500 gallons in November 1997) have been sent for treatment at the Binghamton-Johnson City sewage treatment plant in Vestal, New York. Analysis of the leachate showed that there were no detectable levels of chloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane, and xylene, the principal contaminants of concern at the site. In addition, all Conventional Analytical Parameters (wet chemical analysis) were within specifications required for transfer to the sewage treatment plant.

Groundwater sampling results showed exceedances of New York State Maximum Contaminant Levels for lead, iron, magnesium, and manganese. These compounds, however, are not site related (they are present in background samples). Also, surface water samples collected from Carlin Creek adjacent to the northeastern portion of the Upper Landfill were free of any site-related contaminants.

While it is likely that the multi-layered cap has effectively reduced infiltration, not enough data has been collected to date to confirm this.

The following documents, data, and information were also reviewed in completing the five-year review:

- Historical and analytical data;
- ROD;
- ESD;
- Remedial Action Report;
- Close-Out Report;
- Post-Remedial Environmental Monitoring Program Report;
- Operation and Maintenance Plan; and
- U.S. EPA Guidance for conducting five-year reviews and other guidance and regulations to determine if any new applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) relating to the protectiveness of the remedy have been developed since EPA issued the ROD.

The ROD and ESD provided for exposure protection through the excavation of the Lower Landfill, consolidation of the excavated Lower Landfill contents onto the Upper Landfill, capping of the Upper Landfill, construction of a leachate collection system, and treatment of the leachate 1. The ARARs that were used at that time of the ROD and ESD are still relevant to this site.

IV. RESULTS OF THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW AND STATEMENT OF PROTECTIVENESS

Since the completion of the RA, the following have been achieved:

- the leachate collection, filtration (there is pretreatment of the leachate), storage, and transfer system is operating properly;
- the soil and vegetative covers are intact and in good condition;
 - the fence around the site is intact and in good repair;.
 - the nine groundwater monitoring wells are functional;
 - there is no evidence of trespassing, vandalism, or damage to the cap, monitoring wells, fence, or gas vents has occurred; and
 - there has been no detection of volatile organic compounds in the leachate, monitoring wells or surface waters.

In summary, based upon the above, it has been determined that the implemented remedy continues to provide adequate protection of public health and the environment.

V. <u>NEXT FIVE-YEAR REVIEW</u>

In accordance with 40 CFR 300.430 (f) (4) (ii), the lead agency shall review the RA for the site no less often than every five years. At this site, the contract award date of November 10, 1992 is considered EPA's acceptance of the initiation of the RA.

Since hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants remain at the Conklin Dumps site which do not allow for unlimited use or unrestricted exposure, EPA will conduct another five-year review on or before November 10, 2002.

VI. <u>CERTIFICATION</u>

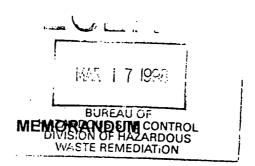
Based upon a review of the ROD, ESD, Remedial Action Report, Close-Out Report, operation and maintenance manual, and Post-Remedial Environmental Monitoring Program Report and an inspection of the site, it has been concluded that the remedy at the Conklin Dumps site was implemented in accordance with the remedy selected in the ROD, as modified by the ESD, and that the remedy set forth in the ROD, as modified by the ESD, is fully protective of human health and the environment.

Richard	L.	Caspe,	P.E.,	Director		
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Date

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Syracuse, NY 13204-2400 Telephone: (315)-426-7551





TO:

John Strang

FROM:

John May

SUBJECT:

Town of Conklin Landfill O&M Inspection

DATE:

3/9/98

On 3/9/98 I met with Dennis Shimer, Supervisor, Town of Conklin Water Dept., at the Town Hall. We discussed the maintenance and modifications performed by the Town and planned in the near future. We then made a field visit to the site.

The fence and gates appear to be in good working order. No work has been done on them in the last year.

MW #3 has been located. It was found to be a flush capped well that had been buried along the Broome Corporate Parkway. Several of the other monitoring wells require maintenace as pointed out in the 4TH Quarter Monitoring Report. These repairs, new concrete surface seals and modifications to allow the wells to be locked are planned for later this month. Mr. Shimer agreed to contact me at that time.

The depressions at RW 1&2 have not changed. I observed no other problems with the cap system. The grass had been mowed last year. No erosion was noted. It was raining during our inspection and drainage system appeared to be functioning as planned. A saw no leachate out breaks.

Several modifications have been made to the leachate pumping and storage system. The pump in the pump station is now sitting on the bottom not attached to the guide system. The back flow valve has been removed to allow the line to empty back into the station and not freeze up in the winter. A flex able hose was run from the leachate storage tank to the discharge building to accommodate freeze thaw movement of the tank support. 6000 Gal. of leachate were in the tank today.

I will contact you with a report after my next inspection.

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION Division of Environmental Remediation

Inactive Hazardous Waste Site Operations and Maintenance Review Report

Form Date 96.10.01				
Site Name: Conklin Dumps		Class:	4	Number: 7-04-013
O&M Funding Source: ☐ Sta	te Superfund	Federal Superfund	X Municipal	☐ Responsible Party
O&M Information: O&M Start: 9	601	End:	Annual Cost	: \$ 🗆 Estimated
Interim Remedial Measures/Opera	able Units in O&M F	hase:		
☐ Drum Removal	□ Soil Rem	oval	□ Tank R	emoval
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☐ Air Sparging/Stripper System	□ Treatmer	nt/Filtration Plant/System	□ Potable	Water Supply/System
X Other: Long-Term GW Monitor	ring			
Institutional Controls: ☐ Deed ☐ Other:	Restriction	X Discharge Permit	☐ Depa	artment of Health Sampling
O&M Review Information:				
Reports: DEC received the analytic	cal results of the lead	chate prior to it being disc	charged to the	municinal sewer system
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Other:	<u>.,,</u>			
Conclusions:				.:
Remedy Effective? X Yes	No: Town of Conklin	has released one batch	of landfill leach	ate to the Binghamton-
Johnson City Joint Sewage Syst	em. Site was in goo	d shape. A couple of mir	nor depression	s to keep watch of.
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Consent Order Compliance?	Yes □ No:			
	 			
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Comments: At the inspection, we met the new Town Water Department Supervisor, Dennis Shimer. Mr. Shimer is now				
in charge of site O&M. We discussed the Town performing the first quarterly sampling this Spring.				
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